

COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Attorney's Docket No.

T-6287

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I BELIEVE I AM THE ORIGINAL, FIRST, AND SOLE INVENTOR (if only one name is listed below) OR AN ORIGINAL, FIRST, AND JOINT INVENTOR (if more than one name is listed below) OF THE SUBJECT MATTER WHICH IS CLAIMED AND FOR WHICH A PATENT IS SOUGHT ON THE INVENTION

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Entitled: Apparatus and Method for Protecting Floating Roof Tanks from the Effects of Lightning Strikes

the specification of which: (check one)

☐ is attached hereto:☒ was filed on November 10, 2003 as United States (or PCT International) Application Serial No. 10/705,547; and was amended on _____ (if applicable)

I HAVE REVIEWED AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED SPECIFICATION, INCLUDING THE CLAIMS, AS AMENDED BY ANY AMENDMENT SPECIFICALLY REFERRED TO ABOVE:

I ACKNOWLEDGE THE DUTY TO DISCLOSE INFORMATION WHICH IS MATERIAL TO THE PATENTABILITY OF THIS APPLICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 37, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, Sec. 1.56, including continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application. 37 CFR Sec. 1.56 (a) states: "A patent by its very nature is affected with a public interest. The public interest is best served, and the most effective patent examination occurs when, at the time an application is being examined, the Office is aware of and evaluates the teachings of all information material to patentability. Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with this Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclose information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is cancelled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned".

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code Sec. 119 (a)-(d) or (f) or Sec. 365 (b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's certificate, or international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

| FOREIGN APPLICATION NUMBER(S) | COUNTRY | DATE OF FILING (MM/DD/YYYY) | PRIORITY CLAIMED | CERTIFIED COPY ATTACHED |
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☐ Additional foreign applications numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet (PTO/SB/2B) attached hereto:

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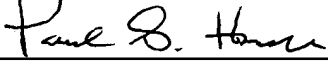
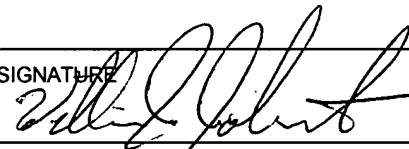
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